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In re Patent Application of

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Serial No. **10/584,847**

Group: **1794**

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Examiner: **INYARD, April C.**

For: **PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING
RIBONUCLEOTIDES AND THEIR USE AS FLAVOURING AGENTS (AS
AMENDED)**

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May 18, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement advanced in the Official Action dated May 14, 2009, which set a nominal response due date of June 14, 2009, applicants hereby elect for further prosecution the invention defined by claim Group I, including claims 1-10 drawn to a process to produce a composition comprising 5'-ribonucleotides.

The claims of Group II drawn to a patentably distinct invention non-elected for prosecution herein have been retained in the application for the time being. However, the Examiner is authorized to cancel such non-elected claims without prejudice to the applicants' rights under 35 USC §121 in the even that the elected claims are otherwise deemed to be in condition for allowance.

An early and favorable reply on the merits of the elected claims is therefore solicited.

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Fee Authorization

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140.

Respectfully submitted,

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